## June 22, 2012

## NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THE PRUDENCE OF AVISTA CORPORATION'S ELECTRIC DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM EXPENDITURES DURING THE PRIOR TWO YEARS (Comments due by 5:00 p.m., Monday, July 16, 2012)

## NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING (To be considered at the Friday, July 27, 2012, Open Meeting)

RE: Avista Corporation,

Prudence of electric demand side management program expenditures during the prior two years, Docket UE-100176

## TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On June 1, 2012, Avista Corporation (Avista) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a report concerning the prudence of expenditures related to its electric demand side management (DSM) program during the preceding two years.

The report is required by Order 05, in Docket UE-110876. As outlined in the Order, within 30 days of filing, any person could request that the Commission set the matter for adjudication. If Avista's request was set for hearing, the Movants agreed to support a suspension period of up to 6 months.

The Commission will consider Avista's report at its July 27, 2012, open meeting. <sup>1</sup> The Commission strongly encourages written comments on Avista's report in advance of the meeting. Written comments should be submitted **no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, July 16, 2012,** and, if possible, in electronic format. <sup>2</sup> Electronic format should be on a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This notice does not replace or conflict with the prior notice for Docket UE-100176, dated June 4, 2012. The previous notice was specific to the portions of the filing pursuant to RCW 19.285.070 and WAC 480-109-040.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Order 05, Docket UE-110876 permits Commission Staff and other interested persons to file written comments within thirty days of the utility's filing. The Commission has extended that deadline to July 16, 2012.

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CD or 3½ inch IBM formatted high-density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format. Please also send us the text of your comment in .doc (Word 97 or later) formatted file labeled with:

- the docket number assigned to the report (Docket UE-100176),
- the commenter's name, and
- the type of software used.

Comments may also be submitted via the Commission's Web portal at <a href="http://www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing">www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing</a> or by e-mail to the Commission's Records Center at <a href="records@utc.wa.gov">records@utc.wa.gov</a>. If you choose this means of submitting comments, please include all of the information requested above for the diskette label. The Commission will make available all comments provided in electronic form on the Commission's web site at <a href="http://www.utc.wa.gov">http://www.utc.wa.gov</a> under the docket number above. Documents will be posted within twenty-four hours of receipt.

Written comments (electronic or hard copies) should be addressed to Mr. David W. Danner, Executive Director and Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, PO Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250.

The Commission will consider all comments and determine whether additional scrutiny is warranted, and may establish an adjudicative proceeding or other process to fully consider the prudence of the Company's expenditures.

The report is available on the Commission's Web site at <a href="www.utc.wa.gov">www.utc.wa.gov</a> under Docket UE-100176.

Questions concerning Avista's report should be directed to Avista representative Linda Gervais at 509-495-4975; e-mail: <u>Linda.Gervais@avistacorp.com</u> or to Commission Staff, Eric Russell, at 360-664-1302; e-mail: erussell@utc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

DAVID W. DANNER Executive Director and Secretary